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**Letter dated 23 February 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of
the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General**

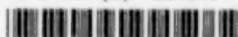
On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a comprehensive statistical table showing the number of Israeli violations between May 2000 and January 2005.

These grave violations are part of a series of persistent and provocative Israeli violations of Lebanese airspace and territory which are incompatible with the principles of international law, the resolutions of international legitimacy and your repeated calls for their cessation.

In view of these violations and the escalation of Israeli threats against Lebanon, its territorial integrity and people, Lebanon requests the United Nations to deter and prevent Israel from indulging in such grave acts which are a threat to international security and peace. Lebanon holds Israel fully responsible for any consequences to which those acts may give rise.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 36, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ibrahim Assaf
Chargé d'affaires a.i.



Annex to the letter dated 23 February 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Comprehensive statistical table showing the number of Israel violations between May 2000 and January 2005

Year	Air violations				Sea violations	Land violations				Total violations	
	Military jet	Reconnaissance	Helicopter	Total	Crossing of territorial waters, shooting of signal and illumination flares	Military acts of aggression		Field violations			Breaches
						Air-raids, shelling of military positions and important centres	Artillery fire, gunfire, infiltration, setting up of installations inside Lebanese territory	Threats and display of weapons, bulldozing of soil, placing of barbed wire inside Lebanese territory			
2000	87	34	28	149	11	24	21	21	12	217	
2001	346	68	45	459	39	10	19	19	22	549	
2002	212	128	38	378	49	19	30	30	16	492	
2003	237	210	87	534	157	21	85	85	47	844	
2004	195	236	98	529	288	22	154	154	58	1 051	
2005 to date	16	67	6	49	17	7	21	21	5	99	
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